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Public meeting for I-55 at Illinois 59 Access Study

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation is hosting a public meeting Thursday, March 12 in Joliet to share details on a series of proposed improvements to improve connections between the Interstate 55 and Illinois 59 corridors in Will County. Called the I-55 at Illinois 59 Access Study, the project is made possible by Gov. JB Pritzker's Rebuild Illinois capital program and will improve connections and safety, while reducing congestion in a high-growth area.

The meeting will be in an open-house format at the following time and location:

Thursday, March 12 4-7 p.m. Joliet Junior College Building U Auditorium 1215 Houbolt Road Joliet, Ill. 60431

At the meeting, IDOT will present the preferred alternative for four projects within the study area bounded by U.S. 52, Interstate 80, River Road and Houbolt Road.

- U.S. 52 widening from River Road to I-55 and other safety improvements from I-55 to Houbolt Road.
- New diverging diamond interchange at I-55 and Illinois 59.
- Extension of Olympic Boulevard from Rock Run Business Park to I-55's East Frontage Road.
- Seil Road mini-roundabouts at Raven Road and States Lane.

Status updates and other information will be available for each project. Exhibits will be on display and an audio-visual presentation will be shown continuously. Staff also will be available to answer questions.

On the state highway system, the estimated \$176 million in improvements for U.S. 52 widening and I-55 at Illinois 59 Interchange are included in IDOT's multi-year plan, which calls for investing a total of \$23.5 billion in the state's roads and bridges over the next six years.

Visit www.i55atil59accessproject.org for more information